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1. YOU CAN ASSURE MARCOS OF OUR CONTINUING MAP (WITHIN
STRINGENT FUNDING LEVELS IMPOSED BY CONGRESS) AND POINT
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OUT ALSO THAT WE AGREE WITH HIM THAT MAXIMUM USE OF
POLITICAL TECHNIQUES IS REQUIRED, WITH MINIMUM FEASIBLE
RELIANCE ON MILITARY SOLUTIONS.

2. WE ALSO AGREE SOME SPEED- UP MAP DELIVERIES JUSTIFIABLE.
WILL BE DOING OUR BEST TO ACHIEVE QUICK DELIVERIES OF
PRIORITY ITEMS AND TO ACCOMMODATE REPROGRAMMING REQUESTS.
HOWEVER, IMMEDIATE SUPPLEMENTARY FUNDING FOR FY 1973
(REF B) RUNS INTO INSURMOUNTABLE OBSTACLE OF LACK
OF FUNDS AND LACK OF ANY REMAINING FLEXIBILITY UNDER
CRA CEILING.

3. AT SAME TIME WE MUST AVOID COMMITMENT TO ANY LONG-
TERM ESCALATING MAP PROGRAM THAT INVOLVES US INCREASINGLY

IN MILITARY EFFORT TO SOLVE MUSLIM PROBLEM IN THE SOUTH.
NOT ONLY ARE WE SKEPTICAL OF MILITARY SOLUTIONS TO THIS
SITUATION, BUT WE ARE NOT ABOUT TO RECEIVE FROM CONGRESS
THE MAGNITUDE OF FUNDS DISCUSSED BY THE FILIPINOS.
MARCOS SHOULD HAVE THESE POINTS CLEARLY IN MIND AND IT
WOULD BE VERY HELPFUL TO HAVE ASSURANCES FROM GOP OF
JUDICIOUS USE OF HARDWARE, AND OF PRIMACY OF POLITICAL
FACTORS IN HANDLING MUSLIM PROBLEMS. AT YOUR DISCRETION,
YOU SHOULD BRING THE ABOVE FACTORS TO MARCOS' ATTENTION.
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